

ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL
HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL

SUMMARY FOR 11-10-08 THROUGH 12-07-08

This report documents Andrews International's BID Security Team's activities through week 49 of 2008. We continue to pursue every avenue in our quest to improve the quality of life in the BID areas. In order to address these issues, we meet with and coordinate our efforts with every group, public and private, that we can identify that are pursuing similar goals.

EVENTS OF INTEREST:

On 11-11-08, we received a call of a fight at 6666 Hollywood Blvd. Upon arrival we found two men squaring off in boxing stance. One was a tourist and the other none other than the beloved Sponge Bob Square Pants. Both parties seemed relieved when we broke up the fight, as neither seemed anxious to land any actual blows. The tourist claimed that 'Bob' groped his girlfriend, but no one wanted to press any charges.

We also assisted the Los Angeles Fire Department on two separate incidents that occurred on 11-11-08. There was a non breathing person at 1720 Ivar. We directed traffic until the person could be safely removed and transported to the hospital. We also helped out at 1500 Highland where a vehicle had crashed and flipped over. Our Officers set up a flare pattern and directed traffic until sufficient LAPD units arrived.

On 11-12-08 there were Air Force Week events held at the Hollywood and Highland complex. This included flyovers by a variety of aircraft. We learned that six classrooms (150 kids) from Selma elementary planned to walk to the event. We then coordinated with the understaffed School Police to escort the kids to the event and then later back to school. Our help was appreciated as moving 150 kids is not dissimilar to herding cats and each intersection is a potential nightmare.

On 11-13-08 we assisted the Annual Chamber of Commerce with the Police and Fire Appreciation Day BBQ. Assistant Director Joe Salazar and two BID Officers helped with the set up. I and other Officers attended and V/P Bill Farrar served as Master of Ceremonies.

On 11-15-08 Kerry Morrison and her entire staff participated in Home Walk 2008. This is a major annual fund raising and awareness event to benefit the fight against homelessness. My family and I also participated in the 5K walk.

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During this period, we passed out flyers to the homeless for free flu shots provided at the Hollywood Presbyterian Church.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

- 1) 11-10-08, Outreach Meeting, Hollywood Presbyterian Church, Paul Freese Speaker
- 2) 11-12-08 LAPD Protest March Planning Meeting
- 3) 11-13-08 Chamber of Commerce Police Fire Appreciation Day
- 4) 11-13-08 H+H Retail Meeting
- 5) 11-15-08 Home Walk 2008
- 6) 11-18-08 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 7) 11-20-08 H+H Retail Meeting
- 8) 11-26-08 Clean Streets Coordination Meeting
- 9) 12-02-08 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 10) 12-04-08 Hosted HHYP Outreach Meeting

OUTREACH:

On 11-17-08, we received a radio call of a man down at 7046 Hollywood Blvd. We called PATH, but they were not available. We then called Get Love. They were able to provide temporary shelter and arrange for alcohol rehab.

On 11-21-08, our Officers met Andrea at 5920 Sunset. She was homeless and in illegal possession of a shopping cart. The Officers offered to connect her with help from the Outreach Community, but she declined. They also told her that she could get a legal shopping cart at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

On 11-28-08, we found female adult Gigi passed out on the ground at 6262 Hollywood Blvd. We called Paramedics and stood by until they responded and took her to the hospital.

On 12-01-08 our Officers found Jerome lying on the ground shaking at 1746 Cahuenga. Although 40 years old, he seemed more like a 13 year old to our Officers. They learned that he had been off his medications for four days and that he was lost. Jerome was taken to Get Love who were able to contact his parents who reside in the Apple Valley. They made arrangements to drive to Hollywood the next day to pick up their son. Jerome was placed in the Gilbert Hotel for the night.

The next morning Jerome was missing from his room. Our Officers used a photo they had taken of Jerome to make a missing person flier.

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I went to the LAPD Crime Control Meeting and briefed them on the situation. I left a flier at the desk. Jerome was located within a couple of hours and re-united with his parents.

On 12-03-08 our Officers found Johnny lying on the ground at 1431 Vine. He was hungry, dirty, and homeless. We called PATH and they said they could respond in about two hours and Johnny agreed to wait for them. When PATH arrived there was no sign of Johnny. Our Officers searched the area and found him. PATH took him to their facility where he was able to shave, shower, and get a hot meal and a clean bed. They also made plans for long term assistance.

On 12-04-08, we met Kirk who was homeless and out of funds. He said he had no way to return home to Pennsylvania. We connected him to Get Love. We also came across Linda who was lying on the ground crying at 6424 Yucca. She said her feet hurt so much that she could not walk. We contacted our good friends at Get Love who provided food and transport.

ENFORCEMENT:

Attached are the year-to-date statistics for both BIDS. These results reflect the first 49 weeks of 2008.

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 956 arrests. Five hundred and sixty were for drinking in public, 90 for urinating in public, 105 for misdemeanor drugs, 38 for trespass, 20 for illegal vending, 19 for battery, 16 for blocking the sidewalk, 8 for theft, 10 for vandalism, 43 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 45 for felonies. We also made 2480 homeless referrals, provided extra patrol to 3395 locations, assisted 3727 citizens, handled 1325 radio calls for service and made 2199 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 660 arrests. Three hundred and seven were for drinking in public, 79 for urinating in public, 27 for drugs, 17 for trespass, 9 for illegal vending, 5 for battery, 17 for blocking the sidewalk, 10 for theft, 3 for vandalism, 158 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 28 for felonies. We also made 1255 homeless referrals, provided extra patrol to 1886 locations, assisted 2026 citizens, handled 655 radio calls for service, and made 1194 business contacts.

The combined totals for both BIDS are 1616 arrests. Eight hundred and sixty seven for drinking in public, 169 for urinating in public, 132 for misdemeanor drugs, 55 for trespass, 29 for illegal vending, 24 for battery, 33 for blocking the sidewalk, 18 for theft, 13 for vandalism,

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201 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 73 for various felonies. We also made a combined total of 3735 homeless referrals, provided extra patrol to 5281 locations, assisted 5753 citizens, handled 1980 radio calls for service, and made 3393 business contacts.

NOTED ARRESTS:

On 11-11-08 we arrested Omari for drinking gin public at 6532 Yucca. We then learned that he had an outstanding felony burglary warrant.

On 11-25-08, we arrested male juvenile Ernest for possession of marijuana at 1632 Wilcox. We then learned that he had an outstanding felony no bail warrant.

On 12-02-08, we arrested Kim for drinking in public at 1747 Cahuenga. She too had a felony no bail warrant.

On 12-03-08 we monitored a radio call of an assault and robbery on an MTA bus in the 6800 block of Hollywood Blvd. The LASD did a felony stop on the bus. The suspect had gotten off, but the LASD broadcast a description. Our Officers found suspect Erica in front of the Jimmy Kimmel Theater and placed her under arrest. Erica had used a box cutter to threaten and rob the bus driver.

On 12-04-08, we received a radio call of a theft in progress at Big Lots (1341 Vine). Two teams arrived at the scene and saw suspect Tyrone exit the store with numerous stolen items. He had placed them in a stolen back pack. During the arrest, he fought the Officers. The suspect was small in stature, but was a strong and skillful fighter. It took three Officers to subdue him. The suspect was able to lift a much heavier Officer off the ground and was able to break free from a well placed wristlock. Despite the suspect's actions, the Officers were able to control him without causing him any injuries.

On 12-06-08, our Officers arrested Alexander for urinating in public at 1630 Wilcox. They then learned that he had a felony warrant for assaulting an Officer in Florida.

DEPLOYMENT:

Our basic deployment in both BIDS has been to cover 6:00 A.M. until 8:30 P.M. on Monday through Saturday. On Sunday we cover from 10:00 A.M. until 6:30 P.M.

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We vary our hours on occasion so that we can address particular problems that might arise such as illegal vending or other crimes occurring after our usual end of watch time.

TRAINING UPDATE:

During this period our Officers received live fire handgun training. They were also given legal update training.